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SUBJ: SURPLUS PROPERTY-LEND LEASE DEBTS

REF: TEHRAN 7387 AND PREVIOUS

1. DCM DELIVERED NOTE TO UNDERSECRETARY MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JAFAR NADIM SETTING FORTH U.S. POSITION ON SURPLUS PROPERTY-LEND LEASE DEBTS AS SET FORTH IN STATE 190839. NOTE STATED THAT (1) USG WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SETTLEMENT OF THIS DEBT; (2) TO THIS END USG IS PREPARED TO DESIGNATE A MISSION WHICH WOULD COME TO TEHRAN TO MEET WITH GOI REPRESENTATIVES AND (3) WHILE USG PREPARED TO RECEIVE AND EXAMINE ANY IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIMS, USG SEES NO CONNECTION BETWEEN DEBT OWED TO USG AND IRANIAN CLAIMS AND COULD NOT CONSIDER THEM JOINTLY.

2. AFTER LISTENING TO DCM'S ORAL PRESENTATION RE U.S. POSITION, UNDERSECRETARY PRESSED THE POINT OF THE IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIM STEMMING FROM ALLEGED DAMAGE SUFFERED BY IRANIAN RAILROADS DURING WORLD WAR II. DCM IN RESPONSE DEMURRED, STATING THAT WHILE IRANIAN CLAIMS MAY HAVE ARISEN FROM CIRCUMSTANCES OCCURRING AT OR ABOUT THE SAME TIME AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND LEND-LEASE

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MATTERS, I.E. WORLD WAR II AND IMMEDIATE YEARS THEREAFTER,

IN POINT OF FACT THERE IS NO VALID CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO AND THEY MUST BE CONSIDERED INDEPENDENTLY OF ONE ANOTHER. UNDERSECRETARY DID NOT PURSUE QUESTION OF IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIMS.

3. UNDERSECRETARY PROMISED THAT EMBASSY WOULD RECEIVE REPLY TO ITS NOTE AT AN EARLY DATE.
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